

# WARDEN MESSAGE

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**This message is intended for the American community in Syria. If you have any questions, please contact the Consular Section at the above address. If you wish to be added to our e-mail distribution, we invite you to complete the registration process through our registration website. To access the site please enter the following link address <http://travel.state.gov> or directly, at <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs>.**

***WARDENS: Transmission of the following announcement by telephone is mandatory.***

## **WARDEN MESSAGE – CANCELLATION OF TRAVEL WARNING AND UPDATE OF COUNTRY SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

The Travel Warning issued for Syria dated February 12, 2009 was rescinded on February 16, 2010. The Department of State deems the security situation in Syria no longer merits a Travel Warning. However review of the security situation in Syria is ongoing, and the Department can disseminate a new Travel Warning as circumstances warrant. The Country Specific Information sheet for Syria was also updated on February 18, 2010 and is available online at : [http://www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/cis/cis\\_1035.html](http://www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1035.html)

U.S. citizens are strongly encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate through the Department of State's travel registration website at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov). By registering, American citizens can receive the Embassy's most recent security and safety updates during their trips. Registration also ensures that U.S. citizens can be reached should an emergency arise either abroad or at home. While consular officers will do their utmost to assist Americans in a crisis, travelers always should be aware that local authorities bear primary responsibility for the welfare of people living or traveling in their jurisdictions.

The Department of State shares credible threat information through its Consular Information Program documents, available on the Internet at <http://travel.state.gov>. In addition to information on the Internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the United States and Canada or, for callers outside the United States and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).